

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARKS OFFICE**

October 2, 2003

Re: Our File: 055549-0008  
Invention: PLASTIC FRAME ASSEMBLY FOR BEARING WEIGHT  
AND METHOD OF ASSEMBLY  
Application No.: 09/997,962- 977,962  
Filed: October 17, 2001  
Country: United States  
Inventor: Gary Neil, Miles Keller, Scott Billings, Richard Scheps  
and Mark Lekhter  
Examiner: Peter R. Brown  
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The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
WASHINGTON, D.C.  
U.S.A. 20231

Dear Sirs:

Agent for Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Non-Compliant  
Amendment dated September 9, 2003 and resubmits their response to the office  
action dated May 7, 2003 including all of the claims and responds as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page  
2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper